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MINIATURE ROSE PLANT NAMED 'SAVABUSY'

5 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct variety of rose plant of the *Miniature* class. The new variety was created by crossing as seed parent the variety known as 'MORSEGOLD' (U.S. Plant Patent 6,617) and as pollen parent, the variety known as 'SAVASPARK' (U.S. Plant Patent 9,799). The varietal denomination of the new variety is 'SAVABUSY'.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Among the novel characteristics possessed by the new variety
which distinguishes it from its parents and all other varieties
of which I am aware, is its flower shape and flower color.

Asexual reproduction by propagation of vegetative cuttings of the new variety as performed in Essex County, Massachusetts show that the foregoing and other distinguishing characteristics come true to form and are established and transmitted through succeeding propagation.

COMPARISON WITH PARENTS

The new variety may be distinguished from its parents in its
25 form and flower color.

The new variety has predominately orange flowers whereas the flowers of its seed parent, are yellow and the flowers of the pollen parent are medium red.

30 COMPARISON WITH RELATED VARIETIES

In addition to the foregoing, the new variety also differs from other cultivars of the same cross.

The first is 'SAVABINO' (U.S. Plant Patent 10,980), 'BAMBINO') which is overall a considerably smaller plant with smaller blooms of a deeper orange red coloring.

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The second is 'SAVAPPLE' (U.S. Plant Patent Application No. 09/727,065, filed November 30, 2000) which is a lower growing
5 plant and although the open blooms are about the same size, 'SAVAPPLE' has about half as many petals as this new cultivar and also is more red in its coloring.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ILLUSTRATION

5 The accompanying photograph illustrates a typical specimen
of the new variety and shows the flowering thereof from bud to
full bloom depicted in color as nearly true as it is reasonably
possible to make in a color illustration of this character.
Throughout this specification, color references and/or values are
10 based upon *The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart* and
terminology used in the color descriptions herein refers to plate
numbers in this color chart except where common terms of color
definition are employed.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

5 The following observations were made of 6-year old plants
of the new variety grown outdoors, in 8 inch standard pots, in
Essex County, Massachusetts during the month of September.
Phenotypic expression may vary with environmental, cultural and
climatic conditions, as well as differences in conditions of
light and soil.

10 FLOWER

	Bud	Medium size; length about 11/16 inch; width about 7/16 inch just before sepals divide
15	Form:	Obovate
	Color:	When sepals first divide color near 170A and 170B towards the tip blending into near 14C; when petals begin to unfurl, color near 33B and near 14C reverse and between near 33B and near 35A toward the tip
20	Sepals:	Lanceolate, extending 1/2 inch beyond the tip of the bud; the 3 outer most sepals having one "flag" on 1 or both margins
25	Upper Surface:	Texture glabrous; color near 144A, may be flushed in sun with 187C
	Under surface:	Texture very fine down coating; color near 147C and near 138A at the tip
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	Permanent:	Yes
5	Hip/Stem Position:	Rolling back to stem and remaining thus and attached to the receptacle
	Peduncle:	Peduncle with receptacle and sepals die and remain attached to plant
10	Length:	About 3/4 to 1 inch
	Aspect:	Straight
	Strength:	Erect
15	Color:	Near 144A, side facing sun may be flushed with 187C
	Texture:	Extremely fine hairs
	BLOOM	
20	Size:	Average when fully expanded just under 1 1/2 inches
	Borne:	Singly
	Form:	Opens flat; petals becoming and remaining loosely rolled outward
25	Petalage:	Between 35 to 40
	Fragrance:	Slight, spicy
	Persistence:	Only the petals drop off cleanly between 7 to 9 days
30	Lasting Quality:	As cut flower, between 4 to 7 days
	PETALS	
	Texture:	Glabrous
35	Appearance:	Inside velvety; outside satiny

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5 Form: Wide spatulate
Size: Length about 5/8 inch at
point of attachment to tip;
outer petal width up to about
3/4 inch at widest part
10 Arrangement: Imbricated - shingle-like;
not regularly overlapped
Color
15 During first 2 days
Inner Petals: Upper side between 33B and
35A; reverse between 33B and
35A at the tip then becoming
near 9C
Outer Petals: Upper side near 33C and
blending into near 9C 2/3 of
the way down the petal;
reverse near 39A along the
margin blending into near 9C
20 When half-blown: Little change but more of the
petals becoming the coloring
of the outer petals
25 Base of petals
(Point of attachment): Near 9C
General tonality from a
distance: Medium orange; sometimes
appears "glowing"
30 Color Change: Lightens and becomes more
pink; starting with outer
petals first and then all
becoming near 51C and the
yellow gradually disappears
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General tonality from a
distance: Apricot-orange; color stays
the same after 3 or more days
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Petaloids in center: 1 or more
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Size: Average width at widest part
about 1/8 inch; length from
point of attachment about 1/4
inch

Color: Same as inner petals
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Texture: Glabrous

Notable Characteristics: None
15 REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS

Arrangement of stamens,
Filaments and Anthers: Arranged regularly around
outer edge of receptacle
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Stamens: About 20, but often less
Filaments: Length about 1/16 inch;
general color near 1C

Anthers: Barely discernable, color
near 9C
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Pollen: Very little; color near 17A
Pistils: About 30 or less
Styles: Uneven length, thin; between
2/16 and 3/16 inch; color
near 145C and appearing
translucent
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Stigmas: Near 145C
Receptacle
Shape: Circular; surface texture
glabrous
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	Size:	Diameter about 5/16 inch
5	Color:	Near 145C
	Hips:	None observed
	PLANT	
	Form:	Upright, compact
10	Growth:	Very vigorous, well branched
	Size:	Height attained about 14 inches; width at maturity about 2 feet
15	Length of flowering stem:	Most often about 3 inches; may be as short as 2 inches when borne singly
	Foliage:	Pinnately compound of 5 leaflets; occasionally 3 leaflets; rarely 7 leaflets
20	Size:	Mature leaflet is medium sized, about 3 3/8 inches from stem to tip measured along the rachis; mature terminal leaflet is about 1 1/4 inches from base to tip
25	Shape:	Oval pointed
	Quantity:	Abundant
	Color	
30	New foliage:	Upper side near 137A; the very edge may be near 187C when in the sun; under side near 146A, may be flushed very lightly with near 187C

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	Mature foliage:	Upper side between 137A and 147A; under side near 147B
5	Texture	
	Upper side:	Smooth, matte
	Under side:	Smooth with slightly raised veins
10	Edge:	Serrated
	Serration:	Fine and uneven
	Rachis	Texture smooth
	Color	
15	Mature Leaf:	Upper side color near 144B with edges the same as the foliage - between 137A and 147A; under side near 147B
	Immature Leaf:	Upper side near 187A; under side near 146B, flushed with 187C
20	Prickles:	Hairs and occasionally prickles on under side of rachis of older leaves
25	Stipules:	Slightly bearded; length about 11/32 inch; color on mature leaf near 147D and near 139A on the tips
	Petioles:	Texture smooth; upper side color same as rachis, near 144B, under side near 144C
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Resistance to disease: Resistance to Blackspot good; average resistance to Mildew; no resistance to Rust observed; resistance against all insects good

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New shoots

Bark:

Wood:

Smooth

Near 144A, may be flushed with near 187C

Old wood

Bark:

Wood:

Smooth

Near 146A

Thorns

Quantity:

Few observed on main stalks from base; just more than average on laterals from stalk

Form:

Thin, straight, angled down to fine point; irregularly positioned

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Length:

About 1/4 inch

Color

Immature thorns:

Near 147D and when exposed to sun between 178A and near 183B and only the tips being near 147D

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Mature thorns:

Near 165B

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Prickles:

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No prickles observed on main or lateral stalks; some prickles observed on older leaves; color near 24D

Winter Hardiness:

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Tested hardy to zones 4 to 9; winter protection recommended in Zones 5 and colder

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